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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

6 FOR THE CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
7 **DUPLICATE ORIGINAL**

8 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

9 Plaintiff,

10 v.

11 MONTEZ DAY,

12 Petitioner,

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No. CV 00-11896-AHM
(No. CR 99-123-AHM)

**MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION
PURSUANT TO FEDERAL RULES OF
CIVIL PROCEDURE, RULE 60 (b)**

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16 The Petitioner comes before this Court Pro se, and moves this
17 Honorable Court for Relief from judgment/order of November 30,
18 2001, and request Reconsideration of 28 U.S.C. §2255 issues
19 Pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 60 (b).

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THIS CONSTITUTES NOTICE OF ENTRY
AS REQUIRED BY FRCP, RULE 77(d).

DENIED
BY ORDER OF
U. S. DISTRICT JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE
ON 12/12/01

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MEMORANDUM OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

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FACTUAL BACKGROUND

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5 In 1999, Petitioner, MONTEZ DAY was indicted for robbing "HOME
6 SAVINGS OF AMERICA".... On May 14, 1999, Petitioner pled guilty to
7 all counts surrounding the alleged bank robbery and was sentence
8 to 24 years. On November 30, 2001 this Court denied Petitioner's
9 Section 2255 Motion.

10 Pending before this Court is Petitioner's MOTION FOR
11 RECONSIDERATION pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 60
12 (b).

13 A motion for reconsideration under Federal Rules of Civil
14 Procedure 60 (b) must based on one of three grounds: 1) Intervening
15 change of controlling law; 2) New evidence not previously
16 available; or 3) A need to correct a clear error of law or to
17 prevent manifest injustice. See ATKINS v. MARATHON LETOURNEAN CO.,
18 130 F.R.D. 625, 626 (S.D.Miss. 1990) (citing NATURAL RESOURCES
19 DEFENSE COUNCIL v. UNITED STATES ENVTL. PROTECTION AGENCY, 705
20 F.Supp. 698, 702 (D.D.C.). The decision whether to grant or deny
21 the motion is entrusted to the sound discretion of the district
22 court. See RODGERS v. WATT, 722 F.2d 456, 460 (9th Cir. 1983) (en
23 banc).

24 The issue in this motion for reconsideration under 60 (b) is
25 appropriate based on "A need to correct a clear error of law
26 (and/or) to prevent manifest injustice, and Newly discovered evidence.

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LEGAL ARGUMENTS.

4 Petitioner was convicted of three (3) counts surrounding a
5 Robbery of "Home Savings Of America". The crime of Bank Robbery has
6 as an essential element a proper showing of Federal Deposit
7 Insurance Corporation insurance. See UNITED STATES vs. SCHULTZ, 17
8 F.3d 723 (5th Cir.1994) (stating proof of Federal Deposit Insurance
9 Corporation insurance is not only an essential element of the
10 crime, but it is also essential for the establishment of Federal
11 Jurisdiction). See also 18 U.S.C. §2113(a) and (f) "(a) whoever, by
12 force and violence, or by intimidation takes, or attempts to take,
13 from the person or presence of another, or obtains or attempts to
14 obtain by extortion any property or money or any other thing of
15 value belonging to or in the care, custody, control, management, or
16 possession of any Bank, Credit Union, or any Savings and Loan
17 Association;"

18 "(f) as used in this section the term "Bank" means any member
19 Bank of the Federal Reserve System, and any Bank, Banking
20 association, Trust company, Savings Bank, or other Banking
21 institution organized or operating under the laws of the United
22 States including a Branch or agency of a Foreign Bank (as such
23 terms are defined in paragraphs (1) and (3) of section (b) of the
24 International Banking Act of 1978), and any institution the deposit
25 of which are insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation."

26 It could be inferred from the language of subsection (f) that
27 the institution referred to in 18 U.S.C. §2113(a). That the
28 requisite element to establish the crime of Bank Robbery would be

1 the institution be a member of the Federal Reserve System and
2 insured by Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

3 The instant case at hand is void of both these requirements
4 to support Petitioners conviction. It can be glean from the
5 attached Exhibits that the government has not and cannot prove the
6 jurisdictional element required to sustain this conviction.

7 Petitioner was indicted for crimes committed against a
8 non-operating institution with inactive or no insurance. See
9 Exhibit "A" which is a Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
10 Confirmation and Report, showing that "Home Savings Of America",
11 became inactive as of October 03, 1998. This document shows that
12 Petitioner's conviction was obtained without jurisdiction and based
13 on a fatally defective indictment.

14 Petitioner's Indictment alleges that on or about January 26,
15 1999, Petitioner by force, violence, and intimidation, knowingly
16 took from "Home Savings Of America", 301 South Maclay Street, San
17 Fernando California, a Savings and Loan association the deposits
18 of which were then insured by Federal Deposit Insurance
19 Corporation.

20 In UNITED STATES vs. FITZGERALD, 882 F.2d 397,399(9th Cir.1989)
21 The court stated: according Fed. R. Crim. P.7, an indictment must
22 be a plain, concise, definite written statement of the essential
23 facts constituting offense charged. Fed. R. Crim. P.7(c)(1) "the
24 instrument must set forth the elements of the offense charged and
25 contain a statement of the facts and circumstances that will inform
26 the accused of the elements of the specific offense." UNITED STATES
27 vs. MARTIN, 783, F.2d 1449, 1452(9th Cir. 1986)

28 In the instant case the indictment alleges a crime that could

1 not possibly been committed. Petitioner was charged with robbing
2 a financial institution, which on the date of alleged, was closed
3 or inactive on that date. See Exhibit "A".

4 During Petitioner's Plea colloquy or change of plea hearing,
5 the government had Petitioner agree that the institution allegedly
6 robbed was a federally insured institution (FDIC). Exhibit "B",
7 which is a Declaration by a FDIC Attorney, dated February 21, 2001,
8 indicates that the Bank known as "Home Savings Of America" was
9 acquired by another bank "Washington Mutual Bank" on October 03,
10 1998, months prior to the date of the alleged robbery.

11 This communication, stipulation or agreement is in valid under
12 the circumstances. First, it was done unintelligently, due to lack
13 of advise from counsel. Second, it violates Fed. R. Crim. P. Rule
14 11(f), which provides "notwithstanding the acceptance of a plea
15 of guilty, the court should not enter a judgment upon such plea
16 without making such inquiry as shall satisfy it that there is a
17 factual basis for the plea."

18 This requires finding sufficient evidence to conclude that the
19 conduct admitted by the defendant constitutes the offense charged.
20 UNITED STATES vs. BAKER, 618 F.2d 589, 592(9th Cir.1982) the
21 purpose of the rule is to protect a defendant who pleads with an
22 understanding of the charges, but "without realizing that his
23 conduct does not actually fall within the definition of the crime
24 charged" UNITED STATES vs. ANGELES-MASCOTES, 206 F.3d 529(5th
25 Cir.2000).

26 Under Fed. R. Crim. P.11, before a plea may be accepted, the
27 district court must "address the defendant personally in open court
28 and inform the defendant of, and determine that the defendant

1 understand ,... the nature of the charge to which the plea is
2 offered..." Fed. R. Crim. P.11(c)(1) "omitting to tell ~~the~~^{ARMED} the
3 defendant of an essential element of the offense entails a complete
4 failure to inform the defendant of the nature of the offense to
5 which he pleads", in violation of Rule 11(c)(1). UNITED STATES vs.
6 GREEN, 882 F.2d 999, 1005(5th Cir.1989) (citation omitted); see also
7 UNITED STATES vs. SMITH, 184 F.3d 415, 417(5th Cir.
8 1999) (reiterating rule). Likewise, the constitution also requires
9 that "the Defendant receive []"real notice of the true nature of
10 the charge against him, the first and most universally recognized
11 requirement of due process," HENDERSON vs. MORGAN, 426 U.S. 637,
12 645 (1976), quoting SMITH vs. O'GRADY, 312 U.S. 329. 334 (1941) A
13 notice that requires a description of the essential elements of the
14 plea offense, at least where the elements are "critical". see id.
15 at 647 N.18.

16 In viewing the record neither the government nor the court ever
17 informed Petitioner that the government was required to prove
18 jurisdiction (FDIC) if the case were to go to trial, which clearly
19 violates Fed. R. Crim. P. 11 see also UNITED STATES vs. SCHULTZ, 17
20 F.3d 723 (5th Cir. 1994).

21 SWEETON vs. BROWN, 27 F.3d 1162, 1169(6th Cir. 1994) (citing
22 UNITED STATES vs. SIVIGLA, 689, F.2d 832, 835(10th Cir.1981), cert.
23 denied, 461 U.S. 918, 103 s.ct. 1902, 77 L.ed. 2d. 289(1983)
24 stating "lack of jurisdiction cannot be waived and jurisdiction
25 cannot be conferred upon a federal court by consent, inaction or
26 stipulation... A court lacking jurisdiction cannot render judgment
27 but must dismiss the cause at any stage of the proceedings in which
28 it becomes apparent that jurisdiction is lacking."

1 There is nothing directly to support the inference of Federal
2 Deposit Insurance Corporation, insurance on the date of the alleged
3 offense. UNITED STATES vs. ALI, 2001 DJDAR 10641 (9th Cir. 2001)
4 "twenty years ago, the fifth circuit forcefully put the government
5 on notice that "[d]espite the fact that FDIC insurance status is
6 an express requirement of the applicable statutes, an **essential part**
7 of a valid indictment, and an indispensable item of proof of an
8 offense, prosecutors have been extremely lax in the treatment
9 accorded this element"..."Today we reiterate that sentiment. Proof
10 of Federal Insurance is not merely an element of the offenses for
11 which Ali was convicted: it is **essential** to establish federal
12 jurisdiction."

13 In the instant case the charging document is fatally flawed,
14 the allegations contained therein allege an offense that could
15 not possibly have occurred. The attached Exhibits clearly show and
16 state that after October 03, 1998, the institution known as "Home
17 Savings Of America" was not Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation,
18 insured, in fact it did not exist.

19 Petitioner's conviction is void.

21 | **CONCLUSION**

23 Based on the foregoing reasons, Petitioner, Montez Day prays that
24 this Court, to correct a manifest injustice, vacate Petitioner's
25 sentence and order dismissal of Petitioner's indictment for lack
26 of jurisdiction as a matter of law.

27 Dated December 6, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

Montez Day